

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Stephen Z. Wu et al.**

Examiner of Parent Application: **Sheikh, Humera**

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Preliminary Amendment

Dear Examiner:

The enclosed application has been amended as indicated below.